METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING THE PERFORMANCE OF A FILE SYSTEM MOUNT OPERATION BY A USER LACKING SUPERUSER AUTHORITY

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method and apparatus for controlling the performance of a mount operation changing the logical association of a first file system with a second file system of an information handling system by a user who may not have general authority to perform such a mount operation. In response to a request by a user to perform a requested mount operation on the first file system, a determination is made of whether the user has general authority to perform the requested mount operation, either because the user has general superuser authority or because the user has superuser authority for mount operations. If the user has general authority to perform the requested mount operation, the requested mount operation is performed. If the user does not have general authority to perform the requested mount operation, the requested mount operation is performed only if the user has a predetermined access authority to the first file system.

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